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1. The following directive regarding agricultural cooperatives in Zone B, Free Territory of Trieste, were issued by the Yugoslav Communist Party: Open war must be waged on those who withdraw from the agricultural cooperatives, because it has been determined that they are under the influence of Cominform propaganda which is attempting to destroy the cooperatives in Zone B. Every possible means must be employed to keep the cooperatives alive; the Government will grant them special aid this year.

2. The following case is an example of conditions among the agricultural cooperatives in Zone B: The 29 members of the cooperative at Ankaran in Zone B, which has been in existence for three years, held a meeting during which eight members declared that they were withdrawing from the cooperative.¹ All eight were members of the Yugoslav Communist Party. They gave the following reasons for withdrawing:

"We cannot remain in the cooperative because everything in it is going awry. Because of the use of socialistic methods of cultivation, the economy of the cooperative is retrogressing."

3. All eight were expelled from the Communist Party and local Party leaders were ordered to find eight other persons who could be enrolled in the Party and brought into the cooperative.

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